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FROM: EA/DDCI

The DDCI would appreciate knowing whether or not the drafters of the recent Andropov SNIE were aware of the attached information.

Thanx,

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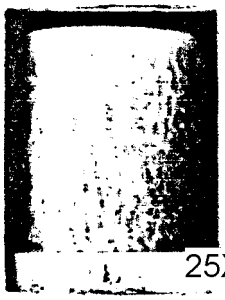

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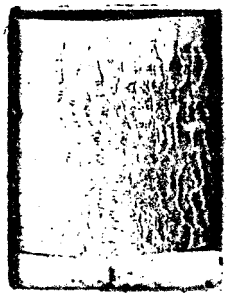

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Impact of the Soviet Food Program on Defense Activities

Summary

Despite efforts to introduce more slack in the Five-Year-Plan, Soviet resources remain heavily over-committed. As a result, new programs inevitably place a heavy strain on existing programs. [redacted] the Food Program, which was adopted mid-way in the second year of the current Five-Year-Plan (May 1982), has adversely affected a range of defense activities. This has occurred despite the top priority ordinarily accorded defense. Certain defense programs have suffered cuts in investment funds and been deprived of priority access to scarce industrial materials. The cuts have been justified by the needs of the Food Program and the victims have been told that everybody was being affected. [redacted]

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